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- l. In those areas covered by the present estimate, NIE 76-59 correctly emphasized the likelihood of internal dissension and violence. Valid judgments also were rendered on the likely timetable for Tanganyikan independence, as well as the probable thrust of events in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.
- 2. Despite its general validity, NIE 76-59 proved somewhat over optimistic in evaluating the prospects for internal unity in Uganda, as well as Belgium's ability to slow the pace of events in Ruanda-Urundi. In addition, the seriousness of the threat posed by African nationalism to Portuguese control in Angola and Mozambique was under emphasized in the preceding NIE.

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